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January 29, 1968

Honorable Richard Helms  
 Director  
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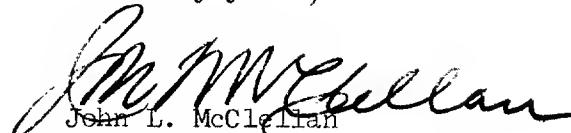
Dear Mr. Helms:

In connection with the Subcommittee's inquiry into the F-111 aircraft program, I wrote to you on June 22, 1967, asking for your agency's estimate of the threat to the fleet in the early 1970's. Your reply, giving that assessment, was in a letter dated July 7, 1967.

I would appreciate it very much if you could provide the Subcommittee with an updated estimate in this same area. Much information has appeared in the public press since last July regarding new and advanced Russian aircraft prototypes. It would be valuable to have a separate comment on the effect these new aircraft are expected to have in our relative air warfare capabilities.

Your cooperation in this matter will be deeply appreciated, and please allow me to express our thanks for your prompt response last year.

Sincerely yours,

  
 John L. McClellan  
 Chairman

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<p>Remarks: Per our conversation, would you prepare the updated estimate which Senator McClellan has requested in his letter of 29 January. Copies of the Senator's original request last year and our response to it are attached.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[Redacted Signature]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Assistant Legislative Counsel</p> <p>Suspense: 8 February 1968</p>					
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<p><b>Remarks:</b> Attached is a proposed letter to Senator McClellan in response to his letter of 29 January which requested an updating on the Soviet threat to the U. S. naval forces. This was prepared by ONE and Abbot Smith stated that it was prepared at the same level of detail as the previous request and is based on pertinent NIEs and NIPP-68. The staff of the Committee was previously advised that it would take us a few days to prepare the answer and they had no priority on our response.</p> <p>Recommend signature.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 200px; height: 30px; margin: 10px auto;"></div> <p style="text-align: right;">John S. Warner</p>					
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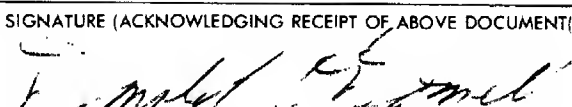
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